

(b) if so, the reasons thereof?

**The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Fakhruddin Ahmed):** (a) and (b). An Expert Committee has been appointed to review the intensity of irrigation in the Rajasthan Canal Project. The report of the Committee is awaited.

#### Family Planning

**347. Shri Karni Singhji:** Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any progress in the matter of sterilization

operations, distribution and actual use of IUCDs and other contraceptives in the various States;

(b) if so, the extent thereof; and

(c) whether any statistics are being collected to have a close watch on the progress of family planning programme?

**The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Comparative figures for 1964-65, 1965-66 and total reported so far by States are as given below:—

	1964-65	1965-66	Total since Inception
Sterilization Operations	0.4 million	0.5 million	1.7 million
IUCD		0.8 million	1.1 million
Other Contraceptives.			
(a) Condoms.	17 million pieces.	39 million pieces	Figures not available
(b) Foam Tablets.	9 million	6 million	Do.
(c) Jelly (Tubes)	0.3 million	0.4 million	Do.
(d) Diaphragms.	0.1 million	0.2 million	Do.

(c) Yes, Sir.

#### Reserve Bank, Calcutta

**348. Shri P. R. Chakraverti:  
Shri H. C. Linga Reddy:**

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether banking activity in Calcutta had been dislocated due to disruption in the normal workings of the Reserve Bank of India in September, 1966;

(b) whether the daily clearance of Rs. 20 crores was suspended because the Clearing House was declared closed;

(c) the causes of such disruption and the steps taken to remedy the same; and

(d) whether the Reserve Bank Employees were technically on a continued mass deputation?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Sachindra Chaudhuri):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Clearing House in Calcutta was suspended from the 9th to the 16th of September, 1966 and again on the 22nd and 23rd September, 1966 and, as a result, instruments, which generally amount to Rs. 19 crores per day on an average were not cleared during this period.

(c) On the first occasion, the workmen staff staged an agitation as a protest against the show cause notices served on two members of the supervisory staff for breach of the staff regulations of the Bank. On the second occasion, the Clearing House had to be closed on account of "Bengal Bandh". The matter being one of industrial relations will be dealt with